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Mayor Lee stated that at this time, all employees will be carried for the next 30 days in temporary positions until the needs of the city can be studied. After that time they will be reviewed and adjusted as is felt necessary.

The council approved the minutes of the previous council's meeting held on September 9 and approved payment of bills totaling \$3,950.98. They also approved payment of \$800 as the first installment on the town's municipal insurance.

City Clerk Linda Dillow noted that each department will be expected to pay their prorated share of the cost of the town's insurance premium.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported that his department, during the past month, had made six criminal arrests, answered fifteen complaints, issued twenty traffic citations and investigated two automobile accidents with no injuries.

He noted that the fire department had responded to three fires and the rescue squad had made fifteen runs.

Attorney Stan Walker, representing the town's attorney, Joe Sawyer, reported that negotiations were continuing on the franchise agreements with the Southeast Alabama Gas District and Covington Electric.

He also commented that he and Mr. Sawyer were planning to attend the communications bill seminar in Gulf Shores, AL.

Before adjourning the meeting, Mayor Lee encouraged those attending the first meeting of the new council to continue to do so each month.

"We want your input...if we're not doing something good come tell us. If we're doing something good tell us also," said Lee.



Before creating his world-famous animated characters, Walt Disney failed at film-making. He set up his first studio in a garage and struggled to pay his expenses. He finally gained success when he released the first short Mickey Mouse cartoons.

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the city council give the city council voting control of the Board and its financial decisions. Carpenter was serving on the W & B Board during the past administration. Other members of the board serving normal five year terms are Tim Johnson (who was serving as chairman) and Ellen Lowery.

John W. Sharpless was reappointed to the Southeast Alabama Gas District Board. He serves with representatives from 14 other municipalities and is presently the sitting President of the municipal owned gas distributor.

The council accepted the recommendation of Mayor Grimes and changed the city auditors to Barr, Brunson, Wilkerson and Bowden. This firm had done the work for the City of Elba until a change was made four years ago.

Both local banks were named to continue as the city depositories for municipal funds.

A resolution was approved "Providing that all administrative officers and departments heads of the municipality shall continue in their respective duties temporarily up to a six month period until an evaluation of personnel can be done on each department."

That motion covered all departments, but since the street department superintendent is a position which the state constitution spells out for the new administration to formally vote on every four years, this preserves Billy Meeks' job for at least the time being.

The council will meet on 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6 P.M.



ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is proud to recognize these students who have already reached the milestone of earning 25 points each in the Accelerated Reader program. Each of them receives a free ballgame pass or homework pass and their picture in *The Elba Clipper*. Pictured left to right are Sheena Flowers, Chris Byfield, and Billy Gibson.

Political Forum to be held in Enterprise October 15th

The Enterprise Branch of the American Association of University Women is sponsoring a political forum for local Democratic, Republican, and Independent candidates on Tuesday, October 15, 1996. The forum will be held at the Elba Community Center from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Candidates for the offices of county commissioner, revenue commissioner, board of education, as well as U.S. Congress will be speaking on various issues.

The forum is open to the public and is being offered as a community service by the Enterprise Branch of AAUW.

Robyn Rhoades

selected as Ag Ambassador

Robyn Rhoades of Elba, a junior animal and dairy science major at Auburn University, was recently selected as an Ag Ambassador.

Rhoades, the daughter of Jim Rhoades and Myrna Cotton, is a member of the Block and Bridle Club, AU Horseman's Club, Chi Omega social society, and a Camp Way Eagle counselor.

Ag Ambassadors are a selected group of agricultural students dedicated to enhancing the image of and interest in the College of Agriculture. Members assist with high school career days, livestock shows, Future Farmers of America banquets and alumni gatherings. They also provide campus tours for those interested in agriculture.

A Revival Crusade will be held at El Bethel Assembly of God of New Brockton, AL, Sunday, October 13 through Wednesday, October 16. Sunday services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and weeknights at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Perry Francisco of Jacksonville, FL will conduct the revival services. A simultaneous Kids' Crusade will be conducted in the fellowship hall with Rev. Mike Escobedo of Barrow, FL. A nursery will be provided and everyone is invited to attend. For additional information call 894-2268.

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SMITHS DEMAND "NO STRINGS" ON PAYMENT

Elba city council unable to solve money difference with All-Star Sports

By Fern Cox, Publisher

The new Elba City Council opened their term of office by tackling a sour subject left over from the previous administration.

All-Star Sports was (is) leasing a portion of the old elementary school by the city in August. Their five year lease had not expired and from this has sprung several problems for the city.

The first was the company's complaint that they were not given the required notice before the building

was sold. Also there was the contention they were due compensation for the improvements they made to the building, following the flood.

Opinions differ on what notice the lease required. An opposing argument is that they have had more than the 30 or 60 days use of the building since receiving official notification.

The bone of contention Monday night was compensation for their improvements. The lease doesn't require any payment, even though such a possibility had been discussed by the council previously.

The minutes from 1994 show a motion was approved by the council authorizing the mayor to go back and add such a clause to all existing leases at the buildings if he so desired. There is no evidence such a change was made. Even that motion carried a requirement that the expenditures for improvements must be substantiated by invoices. Smith told the council he had no such receipts.

Fred Smith Jr., representing himself and his brother David, was asking the city for \$10,000 to cover their improvements. He said his

brother had verbally agreed with Mayor James Grimes to settle for \$7,500.

Grimes proposed paying the firm \$5,000 and giving them up to one acre of land in the Airport Road Industrial Park, providing they agree to stay in Elba.

Grimes noted the city had no legal obligation regarding All-Star Sports, but they want to help as an incentive for All-Star Sports staying in Elba. He said he favored a requirement the firm agree to stay in Elba and any property deeded in the deal would revert back if they didn't begin building within six months. He offered All-Star Sports 30 days to give an answer.

Smith said they didn't want to build in that area, as it wasn't suitable for their type business. He also refused to agree to the stipulation of staying in Elba to get the funds.

Repeatedly Mr. Smith told the city fathers he and his brother would settle for \$7,500 with no strings attached. He also said they wouldn't be interested in using any part of the Jr. High wing of the old high school.

Several motions were made by council members. Some were withdrawn in the confusion, others died for lack of a second.

Both Council members John W.

Sharpless and Ben Carpenter made motions to pay the brothers either money or give them property, but each motion included the stipulation they stay in Elba. Neither motion received a second.

Council member Harold Bannin said he, "wanted the firm to stay in Elba, but the lease was pretty cut and dried as to what you (All-Star) would do and what the council would do, but we are bending over backwards to help you and keep you here. The city is not obligated legally at all to give you any money."

Council member Ronnie Hammond said, "I see Fred's standpoint here, but also we tried to meet you halfway so you could get going. I feel strongly Mr. Fred will stay here. Let's think about it and let's meet halfway."

Grimes said the council needed to decide something so they could get on with other city business.

Finally a motion by council member Winzell Gray to give the firm \$7,500 with no strings attached received a second from council member Ronnie Hammond. The motion died on a 3-5 vote with the two being joined by Bannin and opposing were council members Carpenter and Sharpless and Mayor Grimes.

Repaying of Cedar Land Drive

and Theresa Street was another item carried over from last month. The council voted to get with a paving contractor and see if a 1" layer of asphalt would be adequate for the work. The City Clerk is also to get a cost estimate.

The council adopted the budget as presented to the former council. Grimes noted that changes could be made from time to time as necessary.

A resolution was passed to move forward with the state funded Larkin Road improvement project.

National Guard Sergeant Demp Holley reported to the council that the Alabama National Guard would be moving a unit into the empty armory across from the airport.

He said the 64 member Battery B of the 3rd and 117 Field Artillery would be moving from Daleville to the empty Elba armory. The unit will drill in Elba for their November drill. He asked the city's support in getting, and keeping, the unit up to strength. The mayor and council pledged their full support of the project.

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Elba BOE discusses things to come

By Fern Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School Board normally would have been classified as routine except for the discussions of things to come.

The board heard a report from Superintendent Charles Pearce on the system's construction projects underway and technology plan for keeping Elba students abreast of tomorrow's learnings and how the school's approved proposal spent the Goals 2000 monies this plan.

Pearce showed revised plans for the school bus shop which will be constructed in the school yard. He said site preparation would get underway within the next week for the bus shop and elementary school hall park. Construction on the \$230,000 bus shop (including fencing) would be completed by February. It is funded with \$130,000 from last year's state school bond issue and \$80,000 in current year capital project funds. The balance would be from the school's local funds.

The superintendent said he was working closely with city officials to get the street connecting the new bridge with Taylor Mill Road paved. He explained there are tax funds earmarked for schools which the city can use for this purpose.

The long promised softball and baseball fields are a step closer to completion Pearce reported. He said bids were coming in on construction of the dugouts and pressbox/concession stand building.

The board discussed the city sales tax which is up for renewal before December 31st. This tax is divided between the city and the school system. The school presently gets \$120,000 a year from the tax. "Take away this money and we would have problems," Pearce said. The superintendent and school board members will encourage the city council to keep this in place.

The Science Outdoor Classroom project is gaining community support, board members were told. This project or walking trail will be located on the hill above the central office. Chamber of Commerce, local industries and garden clubs have expressed a desire to participate, according to Pearce.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The Alabama Supreme Court held an official session at Enterprise Junior College last week. A large number of high school and college students were able to attend and witness the proceedings. This is something every student in the state should be exposed to at least once before graduation. It appears to be a vital part of understanding how our system of government works. The judges and those accompanying them were impressed with the expert planning which went into their two day visit to Coffee County. This came from Elba's own Justice Terry Butts and every one of the justices in attendance ... we got it first hand.

We also talked over old times with Justice Hugh Maddox. Now most folks know he is kin to a bunch of folks on this side of the Pea River. The judge reminded a large crowd of that in the Enterprise courthouse Thursday afternoon. Judge Maddox, the dean of the Alabama Supreme Court, is apparently on his last term, as Alabama law doesn't allow him to run again after reaching the age of 70. Most folks don't know that he got a degree in journalism before going into law, and thought he wanted to be a newspaperman. The GI bill gave him the opportunity to go back and get more schooling. During his school days, Maddox worked in the back shop of a country newspaper in Covington County. In a one-on-one discussion with him at a social event Thursday night we remembered those days and commented that he was probably the only person in the room who could still "work" a California type case in the dark. He looked around, laughed and agreed. That is old time newspaper back shop talk for sorting, or picking, individual letters in and out of a type drawer. Proficient typesetters had the type case memorized, just at a typist knows their keyboard today. Around those type cases is where the saying, "mind your p's and q's" originated. Judge Maddox said he plans to write a couple of books and teach some law courses after retiring.

The weather is getting a bit cooler. It must mean that this is the Fall of the year ... it also means winter is just around the corner so don't let that heavy jacket get out of sight. Alabama missed any major damage from the most recent storm coming out of the Gulf of Mexico, but area farmers contend they got enough rain damage to go around for everyone.

Americans are well known for doing nothing about a problem and then correcting it to a fault. Recently, the schools which sent six year olds home for "sexual harassment" because they kissed a classmate on the cheek have become too politically correct. We recall a little female classmate doing that to one of our sons in the grocery store ... dumb us, we thought it was cute, and still classify it as a cherished memory 25 years later!

The idea of what is politically correct has a kind of floating center ... it moves around a bit. Odds are someone will see the schools, whichever position they take. There is just such a situation right now in Montgomery. They try to stay out of a suit on racial discrimination by designating quotas for each race. Then along comes a mixed race child and a question of where to put her ... with the whites or with the blacks. She and her classmates agree on listing her with the white candidates. Ultimately she got left out of the homecoming court process completely and that too is wrong. Bad wrong. Some official's correction makes things far worse than they were before micro managing became a solution to the "problems."

THE CLASS OF 1966 WILL BE THE HONORED CLASS AT ELBA HIGH SCHOOL'S HOMECOMING ON FRIDAY, NOV. 1, 1996. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THAT CLASS HAVE NOT BEEN LOCATED AT THIS TIME. ANYONE KNOWING ANY MEMBER OF THIS CLASS SHOULD CONTACT THEM AND INFORM THEM OF THIS EVENT.

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FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman Terry Everett

The 104th: A Historic Congress by Anyone's Measure

The 104th Congress was historic in many ways. It's new political leadership and extensive national media coverage certainly make it memorable, but the most historic aspect of the 104th Congress is its remarkable record of accomplishment.

Right from the beginning, the new conservative Congress set out to change the way Washington works, starting in its own backyard. For the first time, the U.S. House of Representatives made itself accountable to all the laws it passes on business and the public; banned gifts from special interests to Congressmen and their staff; cut House staff; demanded greater disclosure from lobbyists; and, established the first ever independent audit of House books.

We were the first Congress in 26 years to pass a balanced budget. Although it was vetoed by the President, we still saved the taxpayers \$53 billion by reducing the size of federal government by controlling federal spending growth and waste.

We also gave the President the power to veto out wasteful pork spending through the line-item veto.

One of the most significant achievements of the 104th Congress was the passage of rural welfare reform. We took a dead-end system that abused welfare recipients and transformed it into a temporary helping hand that moves people from welfare to work.

This will move the country closer toward ending the destructive cycle of dependency, despair, and hopelessness. We moved power and money closer to those in need and empowered your governor and state legislators to move welfare families out of the poverty trap.

Because of our actions in the 104th Congress, families don't have to worry about losing their insurance.

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ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of October 8 through October 14, 1996.

They were: David Johnson, Maude Gentry, Eddie Suley, Donny Reeves, Patricia Watson, Betty James, Voncille Sanders, Al Rushing, Claude Wambles, and Wayne Singlet.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Donna Reeves, Patricia Watson, Eddie Suley, Betty James, Maude Gentry, and David Johnson.



KINSTON HIGH'S HOMECOMING COURT...is pictured above. Pictured are: Homecoming Queen Jana Carnley (center), (l-r) - Suzanne Rhoades, Junior Attendant, Kerri Henderson, 1st Attendant, the Queen, Micha Winstead, 2nd Attendant, and Allie Sumblin 10th Grade Attendant. The queen and her court will reign over the homecoming festivities on Friday, November 1. There will be a parade that afternoon (2:15 p.m.) and many other activities during the day. The queen will be crowned at ceremonies preceding the football game Friday night.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

OCTOBER 8 THRU OCTOBER 14, 1996

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, October 8, 1996, investigated the following incidents: five thefts of property, four harassments, one criminal possession of a forged instrument, one forgery, one runaway juvenile, one civil matter, one shoplifting, two assaults, one burglary, one lost property recovery, and one missing person.

The following arrest was made during the week: one for theft of services and one harassment.

Traffic citations issued for the week were as follows: twelve for speeding, one for driving while driver's license are revoked, one for criminal trespass, two for unlawful distribution of a controlled substance, one for improper tag, one for attempting to elude, one for reckless driving, one for driver's license required, and one for driving while driver's license are cancelled.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 - Alarm on Adkison St. (5:13 a.m.); River stage - 3.93 feet (6:05 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (8:02 a.m.).

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9 - Rescue run to Morrow Village (1:03 a.m.); River stage - 3.96 feet (6:42 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Co. Rd. 107 (2:01 p.m.); Rescue run from Elba General Hospital to a residence (5:36 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Payne St. (10:22 p.m.).

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10 - River stage - 3.73 feet (6:30 a.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 - River stage - 3.73 feet (6:30 a.m.); Routine activity.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 - River stage - 3.59 feet (6:56 a.m.);

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COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 1st Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 2nd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 3rd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 4th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 5th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 6th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 7th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 8th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 9th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 10th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 11th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 12th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 13th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 14th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 15th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 16th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 17th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 18th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 19th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 20th Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Elba City School Board 21st Tues. - 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Courtney Leigh Rugg celebrates 4th birthday recently

Courtney Leigh Rugg, daughter of Steve and Peggy (Whitman) Rugg of Greenwood, SC, celebrated her 4th birthday on September 17.

She celebrated on August 24 with a party at Chuck's Cheese in Dothan, AL. Helping Courtney celebrate her birthday were Elliot and Bradley Dean of Wicksburg, Whitley K. Crease of Elba, and her cousins, Hannah Miller, Melanie and Melissa Mulaz, and Chad and Christy Smith, all of Elba. Her aunts and uncle, Kathy Mullar, Shelly Smith, and Ron and Kim Miller, and her grandparents, Ted and Betty Rugg of Jack.

Courtney also celebrated her birthday on September 21 with a Barney party at her home in Greenwood, SC. The guests all had a great time jumping in the Moonbounce.

Courtney's grandparents are Ted and Betty Rugg of Jack, and the late Willie Hubert Whitman, Jr. and Ann Barb Whitman of Elba.

Great grandparents are Lillie Mae Whitman of Greenville, AL and Ernestine Armstrong and the late Clyde Armstrong of Spring Hill and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ideal Rugg of Jack.



Courtney Leigh Rugg

Three-In-One Study Club meets in home of Mrs. E. M. Warr

The Three-In-One Study Club met in the home of Mrs. E. M. Warr on October 3.

Mrs. Pauline Allen introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Kimmy Ham, who gave an interesting and informative talk on her visit to the Olympics in Atlanta. She gave the history of the Olympics dating back a thousand years. Her description of Centennial Park was colorful and interesting.

She also described the USA gentlemen's gymnastic event she attended.

Mrs. Wilson Newman, president, presided over a business session. The members attending were: Mrs. Pauline Allen, Mrs. Edward Hudson, Mrs. Donald Lee, Mrs. R.H. Lee, Mrs. Conway Lowery, Mrs. Wilson Newman, Mrs. Buck Smart, Mrs. E.M. Warr, and Mrs. Jim Williams.

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at various sites. For more information, call Virginia Stephenson at 393-ESJC, ext. 266, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays.

Ms. Kimberly Dianne Grosland and Mr. John Wayne Watson invite you to share in the celebration of their marriage on Saturday, the nineteenth of October, nineteen hundred and ninety-six at three o'clock in the afternoon New Haven Baptist Church, Elba, Alabama with a reception following in the fellowship hall. No formal invitations are being sent; All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

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Social & Community Happenings

Magnolia Home and Garden Club holds Recipe Swap -Tasting Meal

The Magnolia Home and Garden Club met at the Elba Public Library on October 3 for a Recipe Swap-Tasting Meal.

Each member was asked to bring a favorite salad as well as the recipe for the dish. Many delectable salads were prepared and displayed for viewing and tasting. After the refreshment period, recipes were shared by their origin.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Mavis Hatway and Mrs. Adelle Belle Martin. By way of introducing the program, Mrs. Martin gave a brief humorous talk on various recipes and their origin.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Gene Kennett. The Collect was read in unison, followed by roll call and reading of the minutes of the September meeting. Correspondence consisted of a



DESTINEE TAYLOR LOWRY

Destinee Taylor Lowry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Eddins and Mrs. B. F. Lowry, all of Jack, Desha, has been named as the bride-elect of the late Mr. J.P. Milligan of Elba.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. Robert Marsh and the late Mr. Robert Marsh of Elba. She is currently a student at the University of Alabama where she received a Bachelor's degree in Education.

Mr. Marsh is currently employed as a staff accountant with Carr, Galloway, Ann Carmack School of Electrology, Lloyley & Averett, P.C. in Enterprise, Alabama where she received the degree of Certified

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letter from Chamber of Commerce Director Barbara Hudson, announcing "Spirit of Elba Day" on October 12, and requesting participation by club members.

A letter of appreciation was read from "Make-A-Wish" Foundation for a donation to that organization. The club voted to be a part of the Christmas Festival on November 30 by sponsoring a bake sale.

The president announced the appointment of Mrs. Joan Jacobs to the school-sponsored committee for developing the Bird Sanctuary and Hiking Trail on the campus.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned.

The Coffee County Arts Alliance to open new season

The Coffee County Arts Alliance has it all this year! From dance, song, theater, to a swinging trumpet, there is sure to be something for everyone in the 1996-97 Performance Series.

Opening our season on November 16 at the Elba High School Auditorium will be jazz legend and internationally renowned Big Band leader, Maynard Ferguson. One of the world's greatest trumpet and brass instrument players, he is now in his fourth decade as a leader and with his Big Big Nouveau Band, he has redefined big band jazz for the 90s.

A three-time Grammy nominee, Ferguson recorded "Gonna Fly Now," the theme from "Rocky," and draws upon bebop, straight-ahead music to achieve fresh sounds within a classic big band form.

The Tamburians of Duquesne University will dance their way into the Wiregrass on January 18th, 1997. A Tamburians performance is like a musical tour of Europe. Through the magic of music, song and dance, the youthful troupe takes one into pleasant valleys to see the spinning village dances of the peasant or into rugged mountain country to witness the high leaps and acrobatics of the mountain folk.

Two hour musical is as authentic as extensive research can make it.

On February 22, the Auburn University Singers, under the direction of Dr. Thomas R. Smith, will be performing at the Enterprise High School Auditorium. An auditioned group of 32 singers and 9 instrumentalists, the group was founded in 1972 for the purpose of adding an extra dimension to choral music at AU. Since its formation, the Auburn University Singers has been in constant demand. The group has performed for television specials, conventions, community concerts and various campus events. Wherever they are, the Auburn University Singers have a spirit of its own that it shares each time it sings, whether at home or around the world.

A special showing of a brilliant one-woman play ELEANOR, a CELEBRATION, will be presented by CCAA on March 22nd, 1997. Originally commissioned to celebrate the official one-hundredth birthday of Eleanor Roosevelt in 1984, the play immediately drew raves from critics. In response to standup audience ovations and continued demands, tours have extended across the country ever since.

Written and directed by Gordon Davis, the play recreates the vivid story of a self-conscious, ugly duckling, moved more by the challenges of her conscience than party-line dogma, a woman whose social vision extended far ahead of her time.

To close this fantastic line-up of performances, the annual Piney Woods Arts Festival will be held April 19th and 20th.

Mary Jo Snuckenberger, CCAA president says "This season should have something for everyone and we are looking forward to sold out performances."

The Coffee County Arts Alliance is a non-profit organization, striving to bring a variety of entertainment to the Wiregrass. Although some funding is received through grants from the National Endowment of the Arts, the largest portion of funding is from its members. Season tickets are on hand now. For information, call packages write or call CCAA, P.O. Box 848, Enterprise, Alabama 36331 (334) 347-1602.

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Miss Belcher honored with bridal shower

Friday, October 11, 1996 at 1:30 p.m., co-workers from Kleinfert's (Shipping Department) of Elba, hosted a surprise bridal shower for Evelyn Y. Belcher of Elba, at a local restaurant in Enterprise, AL. Beautiful gifts and cards were arranged and displayed on a table for this occasion. Each guest selected food they desired from the menu cards. Those attending were: Bobby Winters, Becky Picher, Lisa Short, Ramona Hardwick, Elaine Taylor, Debbie Coleman, Glenda McDonald, Lori Lamp, Tammy Tills, Jackie Richardson, Jeanette Tills, Brenda Rich, Diane Palma, Niesha Walden, Vencie Burks, Elva Belcher, and the honoree, Evelyn Belcher.

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Miss Alabama to speak at Elba United Methodist Church

Miss Alabama Alison McCreary will present her testimony in word and song on October 27, 1996 at the Elba United Methodist Church.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Press. Mr. Brian Channing Free, son of Mr. and Mrs. Free of Elba and Mrs. J.P. Milligan of Elba, and the late Mr. J.P. Milligan of Elba.

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There will be fun and games for the entire family.

Eanon Baptist Church will celebrate homecoming Sunday, October 20

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. MART GRAY

First Baptist Church

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Pardon the graphic detail. I spent the weekend at my in-laws in North Alabama. As my father-in-law and I knocked around their Blount County farm, I experienced over and over this sensational purging. It reminded me of childhood memories

Seniors of the Week

by Shania Caldwell & Chastity Williams

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???QUESTION CORNER???

by Shan-Ta Caldwell

What do you think James Grimes will change now that he is off?

Coach David Hughes, hopefully, the image of Elba will change with the sense of a new start. The major can change.

Searching For The Right College...

by Kayron Whitworth

Below are some tips that can assist you in finding the right college that would best fit your occupation.

* Explore a variety of career choices. Once you have chosen the right career for you then decide which college will best suit your career.

* Work with the school counselor on career choices, choosing the right college, and searching for financial aid.

* Look up entrance requirements for two-year and four-year colleges; ACT and SAT test and priority deadlines (financial aid deadlines) on selected schools.

* Take ACT and/or SAT: If college requires achievement tests, organize schedule for completion of all parts by December 1 of your Senior year.

* Review college catalog to become acquainted with a variety of schools.

* Select at least three colleges that you will consider attending.

* Visit selected college campuses.

* Attend the College Career Program.

* Apply for admission to selected schools. Note: Write to schools early and request admission material. Preparing applications and essays properly takes time.

* Write letters to selected schools for financial aid packets. Be sure to request scholarship material.

* Apply for scholarships as soon as applications are available. Refer to scholarship in the guidance office and lists of resources available.

* Apply for financial assistance using FAFSA and federal forms. (Use institutional forms, if necessary.) NOTE: After January 1, an estimated income amount may be used if parents.

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Coach Wynn Grimes, well, first of all James Grimes is my father so I may be a little biased, but I do believe my father has some good ideas. The first job my father wants to do is to clean Elba up and restore the pride that Elba citizens use to have. My father has many other projects he wants to see done and I believe if the city council will work together they can get these projects done. Elba is a great place to live and my father is going to do his best to keep it that way.

Mrs. Siler, bring better businesses to Elba.

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Deanne Flowers is the daughter of Tim and Lorelei Flowers. She attends the New Philadelphia COGIC. Her hobbies are going shopping, hanging out with her friends, and singing. The thing Deanne likes most about Elba is her Social Studies class because she said, "Coach Grimes is a very nice man when he wants to be and even though he's only been here for a couple of years I think he's doing great."

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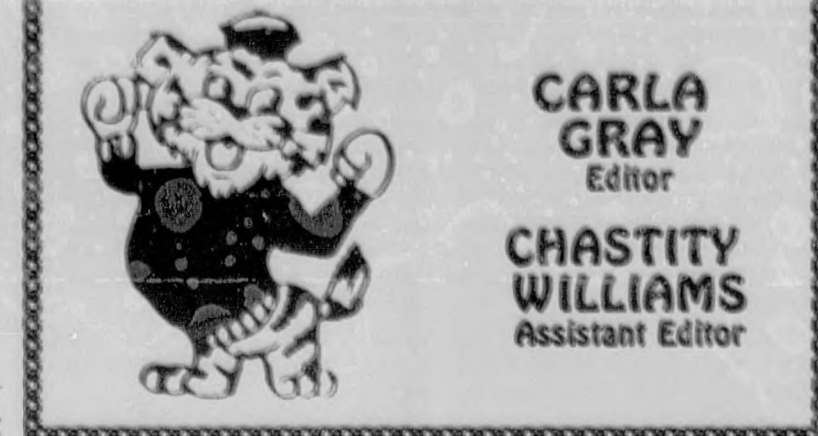
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Mr. Weeks' Message to the People

A very special thank you to Mr. Carlie and his staff for allowing me the opportunity to share a few thoughts with you. The yearbook staff has really worked diligently to keep our school and community informed of the many exciting things happening at EHS.

We are very fortunate in Elba to be able to provide such a wide variety of academic, vocational, and extra curricular programs for our students. The success of these programs is due to outstanding support and commitment from this community. With continued community support, our school will be one of great pride and respect.

We have a wonderful start on the new school year! In talking with many students, most have positive comments about our recent change to the new block system. I want to thank our EHS students and faculty for accepting this new challenge and being able to adjust so quickly.

It is my belief that "school" should prepare students for roles in society as self-sufficient individuals capable of earning a livelihood and making a meaningful contribution to our society. Hopefully, we can develop in our students a respect for law and order through the instilling of honesty, integrity, and self respect. I would like to encourage each student to strive for excellence and develop a sense of pride in a job well done.

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by Shania Caldwell & Chastity Williams

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Larry "Love" Rayburn is the son of Gwen Rayburn. He attends Greater New Zion Baptist Church. His hobby is playing football. He is a member of VICA. Larry's goal for this year is to win a game. His plan after school is to work. His favorite pastime is hanging out with his friends.

Derrick Daniels is the son of Mr. Minnie Daniels. He attends Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church. His hobbies are basketball, riding, and music. He is a member of FBLA, FFA, and the "Plyers Club". His goal for this year is to graduate. His plan after high school is to go to college.

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The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

I was convinced that my youngest daughter was a true football fanatic after her detailed report of the Elba-Hartford game; however, last week she proved that she is still just a little girl when she told me she didn't want to go the Elba game Friday night. It seemed that her four-year-old first cousin came over to visit and brought with her the video "All Dogs Go To Heaven - Part 2," and the combination of playing with her cousin and watching a video far out-weighted sitting still at a football game. For a seven-year-old it was probably a pretty wise decision!

ELBA TIGERS ROMP TO SECOND STRAIGHT VICTORY

The Elba Tigers continued their mid-season surge Friday night by blasting the 4A Geneva Panthers 39-6, in a game that really even as close as the lopsided score might indicate. The Panthers came to town with a huge front line and the confidence of a team on the rise, but the Tigers literally blew the Panthers out of the stadium on their first three possessions and were never threatened in claiming their second win of the season. It was a big win, and one that was just what the doctor ordered.

The Elba offense totally dominated the physical Geneva defense and rolled up and down the field throughout its three-quarter test. The Tigers scored on drives of 77, 61, 64 and 61 yards, not to mention a 75-yard scoring strike that capped off a quick three-play 80-yard march. The offensive line blew gaping holes in the Geneva defensive front for Bobby Burks and D'Undray Peterson to run through, and the Tiger backs combined to gain 232 yards on just 18 carries, an average of almost 13 yards per carry. Quarterback Troy Bryan had another productive night with 94 yards passing and over 40 yards rushing, and for the second straight week hit Marcus Tillis with a long touchdown pass. The offense came out ready to play and dominated its opponents like Tiger teams of old, and it was an impressive outing for the offense as a whole.

The defense was in command throughout the night and used its quickness to take away the outside from the Geneva backs. The Panthers wanted to run behind their huge offensive line; however, the Tigers took away the inside game early on and then had the speed to get outside and stop any and all Panther attempts to get wide. Catching the eye of Elba fans were linebackers Todd McKee and Ronnie Davis, as well as linemen

D'Undray Peterson and Earl Perkins, and defensive backs Derrick Jones and Marcus Tillis. The defense has been consistent all season, and Friday night did its job once again.

I expected Elba to win the football game by a couple of touchdowns, but have to admit I was surprised with the way the Tigers dominated the game in all aspects. Elba's offense took charge early and never eased up, while the defense simply played hard on every down and made the Panthers work hard for every single yard they earned. I realize that what the Tigers did Friday night won't have any impact on what they do this week against Geneva County, but it sure was fun to see the Tigers take charge and look like the team we are used to seeing!

WIN OVER GENEVA CREATED MIXED EMOTIONS

I have always been an Elba Tiger fan and want the Tigers to win every time they take the field; however, Friday night I was both happy and a little sad after the Tigers' big 39-6 win over the Geneva Panthers. I was happy that Elba played well and won the game, and at the same time felt sad that Coach Leavy Boutwell was the victim of the Tiger victory. I have been a friend of Coach Boutwell ever since we were little kids and have great admiration for the man, and the accomplishments he has achieved over the years, both on and off the field. He is dedicated to the youth of today, and teaches a style of discipline through athletics that will help his players now, and down the line. The love between Coach Boutwell and his friends was evident after the game when a number of Elba residents gave the Coach a hug and a word of encouragement as he left the field, and his friends in Elba, and Geneva, will tell you without a doubt that the Panthers' football program will grow in pride and stature as Coach Boutwell teaches his lessons to the youth of the community. The people in Geneva are lucky to have such a man in their community, and the wins the Panther fans want so badly will come, just give it time.

AREA TEAMS PULL AN "O-FOR" IN WEEK #6

The sixth week of the season was certainly not one to remember for area football fans, as only Zion Chapel avoided a loss, and it was because the Rebels had the week off. Here's a quick look back at what happened in week #6 of the high school season...

***NEW BROCKTON (2-4) simply out-matched at every position and took it on the chin to Goshen 47-7. New Brockton knew coming in that its Area 4 opponents would provide the inexperienced Gamecocks with a stern test, and after a 52-13 loss to Georgiana and the 47-7 loss to Goshen, it looks like those fears were warranted. The key to the game Friday night was that the Gamecocks never quit, and that the younger

players wanted to get in on the action despite being out-manned. Better days are ahead, and what goes around always has a habit of coming back around, which means payback could be fun in years to come.

***KINSTON (2-4) closed out its trip through the 2A ranks with a 42-22 loss to Straughn, and found out once again that the Bulldogs should be content being a 1A club and should leave the 2A teams alone. The Bulldogs scored first in the game, but the early score did little but wake up the talented Tigers, and Kinston was no match for the rest of game. Kinston is a much better team than its 2-4 mark indicates, and as the Bulldogs get in the swing of the 1A part of its schedule, the wins will begin to even out. Just wait and see.

***BRANTLEY (2-4) lost its fourth straight game Friday night against unbeaten Frisco City 28-7 and saw its hopes for a berth in the state playoffs come to an abrupt end. The Bulldogs have lost to some pretty good teams during their four-game skid and are not a typical 2-4 team, but with the Bulldogs' schedule there are no easy wins to be found, and Brantley could very well have seven losses by the end of the season. Some lessons are hard to learn, but you can bet these Bulldogs will learn their's well and do some teaching of their own real soon.

***ZION CHAPEL (1-4) had a much needed week off, and maybe the Rebels will come out fired up and determined when they return to the field Friday night against Isabella. The Rebels had to be battle-weary after five games, and while an open date is often not a welcomed sight, it came at just the right time for the Rebels.

RICH ONLY GET RICHER AMONG STATE'S TOP TEAMS

The sixth week of the high school football season has come and gone, with the top teams in all six classes continuing their stroll past all opponents. Here's a look back at the week that was...

***CLASS 6A - Top-ranked Central, of Tuscaloosa, defeated Robert E. Lee 28-18 and #2 Vigor had the week off as the cream of the 6A crop remained undefeated, but #3 Oxford was upset by Homecoming 37-7 and #4 Jeff Davis was stunned by Dothan 35-28. Carver also lost 14-13 to Opelika and Lanier got whipped by Northview 31-6, leaving the Montgomery schools at 0-4 for the week. Closer to home, Enterprise got its third win with an easy 31-8 win over lowly LeFlore.

***CLASS 5A - Top-ranked Blount pulled away in the second half to down B.C. Rain 21-6 and #2 Scottsboro had the week off, keeping the top teams in the 5A ranks unbeaten. Number eight Smiths Station proved it was for real with an 18-10 win over #4 Wetumpka, and Eufaula remained unbeaten with a big 43-8 romp past Charles Henderson. Closer to home, Andalusia edged past Dale County 12-6 to claim its fourth straight win and Opp dropped to 3-3 with a 37-21 loss to W.S. Neal.

***CLASS 4A - Top-ranked Alexandria upped its record to 6-0 with an easy 54-8 win over Cherokee County and #2 T.R. Miller kept pace with a 42-7 romp past St. Paul's. Miller jumped out to a 42-0 halftime lead over the Saints and pulled off the dogs, showing the Mobile school what life is really like in Class 4A. Closer to home, Abbeville stunned Ashford 20-0 and Pike County outscored Bullock County 37-20.

***CLASS 3A - Top-ranked B.B. Comer cruised past West Blocton 56-24 and #2 Sylva spanked Fyffe 48-15 to stay atop the 3A ranks, while #3 Colbert County got clobbered by Hazlewood 34-0 and saw its record dip to 4-2. Closer to home, #8 Trinity found out how good it really was in a 32-10 loss to UMS-Wright and Rehoboth got in the win column with a 26-14 win over Wicksburg.

***CLASS 2A - Top-ranked Clay County claimed its sixth shut-out in six games by blanking Winterboro 41-0, while #2 Hazlewood kept pace by blasting 3A power Colbert County 34-0. Closer to home, #3 Georgiana pounded Florida 60-26, #4 Luverne ripped Highland Home 41-0 and #5 Cottonwood dumped Houston County 37-8. G.W. Long got a rare win with a 34-8 stroll past Louisville and Slomom Headland 34-7.

***CLASS 1A - Top-ranked Maplesville made it look easy with a 40-19 win over previously unbeaten 4A power Dallas County, while #2 Adelson pitched a shut-out with a 33-0 win over Cold Springs. Closer to home, Billingsley got back on track with a 19-0 win over Dadeville. Red Level remained winless with a 20-7 loss to McKenzie and St. Jude stunned Alabama Christian 22-13.

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR KEEPS ROLLING ON

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator hit on 63 of 69 picks last week to up his yearly totals to 161-47, and was very confident when he dropped by over the weekend to leave this week's picks. He said the odds are getting harder each week now that the teams are getting into their Area competition, but declared the best is yet to come, and left these choices for week #7...

ELBA VS. GENEVA COUNTY

The Elba Tigers might be considered slight underdogs Friday night when they travel to Hartford to meet the Geneva County Bulldogs, however, the Tigers have been on the prowl in recent weeks and this week are determined to make the "Dogs their third straight victim. It is never easy on the road and won't be easy Friday night, but Elba should have a little more than Geneva County can handle.

ELBA 21, GENEVA COUNTY 13

NEW BROCKTON VS. WICKSBURG

The high-powered Gamecock offense never got off the ground last week in a lopsided defeat to Goshen, and will have to re-appear Friday night if they hope to claim a win over the under-rated Wicksburg Panthers. This game should set the tone for the rest of the season for New Brockton, and the guess here is that the tone will be positive.

NEW BROCKTON 28, WICKSBURG 12

ZION CHAPEL VS. ISABELLA

The Rebels got a much needed rest last week and should be ready to play this week when the Mustangs of Isabella race into town for a 1A battle. The teams will be evenly matched and the winner will be the team that wants it the most. The vote in this corner goes to Zion Chapel.

ZION CHAPEL 20, ISABELLA 8

KINSTON VS. ARITON

Maybe the Bulldogs will finally admit that there is a difference in 1A and 2A schools after opening the season against six straight 2A opponents and having a 2-4 record to show for it. Week #7 will bring a 1A foe in the Arton Purple Cats, and the fur will be flying when the 'Dogs kinston 34 arton 16

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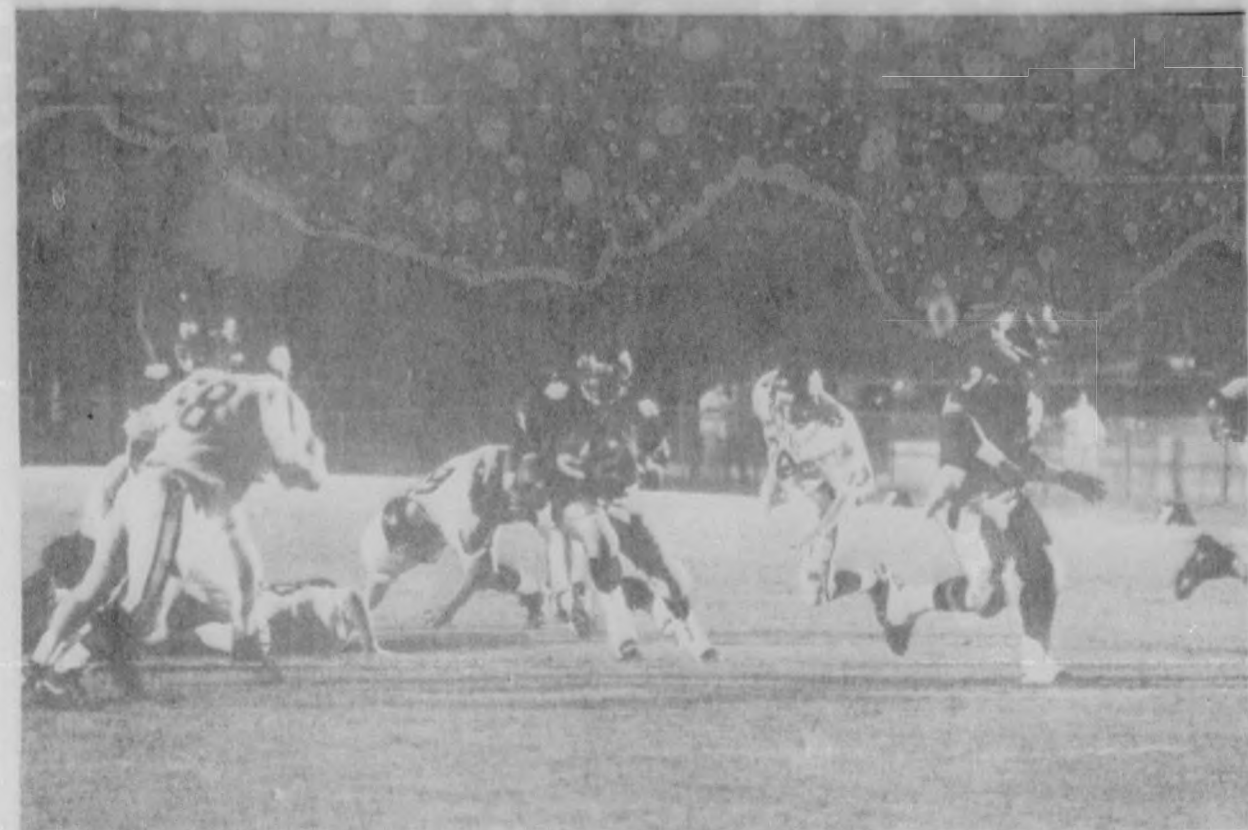
The youthful Bulldogs take on any and all challengers and battle until the final horn; however, this season the 'Dogs have been getting more lessons than wins, and will get another lesson Friday night from top-ranked Maplesville. There is no doubt Brantley will give it 110 percent, but this week it simply won't be enough.

MAPLESVILLE 35, BRANTLEY 7

OTHER PICKS:

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Autogaville 45 R.C. Hatch 0
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Foley 20 Williamson 10
Pattsville 35 Lanier 0
Tuscaloosa Co. 35 Northside 7



Elba tailback Bobby Burks (22) bursts through a huge hole in the middle of the Geneva defense and sets sail for the endzone. Burks gained 133 yards and scored two touchdowns Friday night in the Tigers' big 39-6 romp past the Geneva Panthers.

Elba pounds Panthers 39-6

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Elba Tigers scored touchdowns on their first three possessions to grab an early 21-0 lead and have never threatened Friday night in posting an impressive 39-6 win over the Geneva Panthers, at Tiger Stadium.

The win was the second straight for Elba and upped its record to 2-4, while Geneva slipped to 2-4 with the loss.

The Tigers received the opening kickoff and gave their fans a preview of things to come as they marched 77 yards in eight plays to score the first points of the night. A 19-yard pass from Troy Bryan to Josh Dawkins on third down and 13 kept the drive alive early, while a 24-yard scamper by Bryan on third and nine gave Elba a first down at the Panthers' 36-yardline.

Burks, who gained 33 yards on four carries during the scoring march, got the touchdown on a 25-yard touchdown dash, and Todd McKee added the extra-point to put the Tigers on top 7-0 with 9:48 left in the first quarter.

Elba began its next offensive series at its own 39-yardline following a Geneva punt, and this time marched 61 yards in seven plays to add to its lead.

A 32-yard burst up the middle by fullback D'Undray Peterson got the drive off to a quick start, and it was Peterson that later notched the score on a one-yard plunge. McKee's extra-point was true, and with 3:23 remaining in the stanza the Tigers were off and running with a 14-0 advantage.

A 51-yard kickoff return by Geneva's Terry Owens set the Panthers up at the Elba 43-yardline on their ensuing possession, and the Panthers moved to a first and goal at the Elba 7-yardline behind the

running of Mike Brown and the passing of John Simmons.

A fumble and a five-yard loss on a sack by Todd McKee left the Panthers facing a third down back at the 12-yardline, and one play later Geneva came away empty-handed when a 30-yard field-goal attempt sailed wide to the left.

The Tigers put the ball in play at their 20-yardline after the missed field-goal try, and in only three plays were right back in the endzone!

Elba faced a third down and five after two running plays netted only short yardage, but on the third down play quarterback Troy Bryan found Marcus Tillis streaking across the middle of the field, and the speedy receiver hauled in the pass and sprinted 75 yards for another Tiger touchdown. McKee booted his third extra-point of the night, and with 9:15 left in the sec-



Elba linebacker Ronnie Davis (55) heads toward the endzone after intercepting a Geneva pass in last week's 39-6 win. Davis made the interception in the third quarter and returned it 32 yards to put the Tigers on top 27-0.

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Elba lost a fumble at the Geneva 22-yardline on its next possession to kill a Tiger scoring threat, and at intermission went in with a surprising 21-0 lead over the 4A Panthers.

Geneva received the second half kickoff, but kept the ball for only two plays before watching the Tigers increase their lead to 27-0.

The Elba touchdown came on a 32-yard interception return by linebacker Ronnie Davis, and although the extra-point try sailed wide, the Tigers were on top 27-0 with 10:28 still left in the third quarter.

Elba began its next series at its own 36-yardline following another Panther punt, and promptly marched 64 yards in only six plays to break the game open.

Bobby Burks gained 29 yards on three carries during the quick scoring drive, while D'Undray Peterson added 33 yards on two totes and got the score on a 4-yard run. The extra-point try again failed, but the Tigers were in complete command with a 33-0 lead with 5:36 remaining in the third quarter.

The Elba offense returned to the field at its 39-yardline after Geneva's fourth punt of the game, and one play later was right back in the endzone!

The final Tiger tally was on a 60-yard dash by Bobby Burks, and a botched extra-point try did little to dampen the Tigers' spirit as they moved out to a 39-0 lead with 2:47 still left in a wild third stanza.

Geneva put the ball in play at its 15-yardline following the ensuing kickoff and drove 83 yards in 16 plays against the Elba reserves to avoid the shut-out.

Mike Brown gained 32 yards during the long scoring drive, which ate up almost 10-minutes off the clock, and was capped by a 2-yard scoring run by Terry Owens. The extra-point try sailed wide, and with 5:01 left in the game the score-board read Elba 39- Geneva 6.

The teams gave their reserves a chance to gain experience in the closing minutes of the game, and at the final horn the Tigers celebrated with the 39-6 victory.

Bobby Burks gained 133 yards on 10 carries and scored two touchdowns to lead the Elba rushing attack, while D'Undray Peterson pulled for 99 yards on 8 carries and also scored two touchdowns.

The Elba defense was paced by linebackers Todd McKee and Ronnie Davis, with McKee making 9 tackles and one assist and Davis making 8 solo stops and returning a pass interception for 32 yards and a touchdown. Earl Perkins added 7 tackles and 2 assists, while Garrett Boutwell had 5 stops.

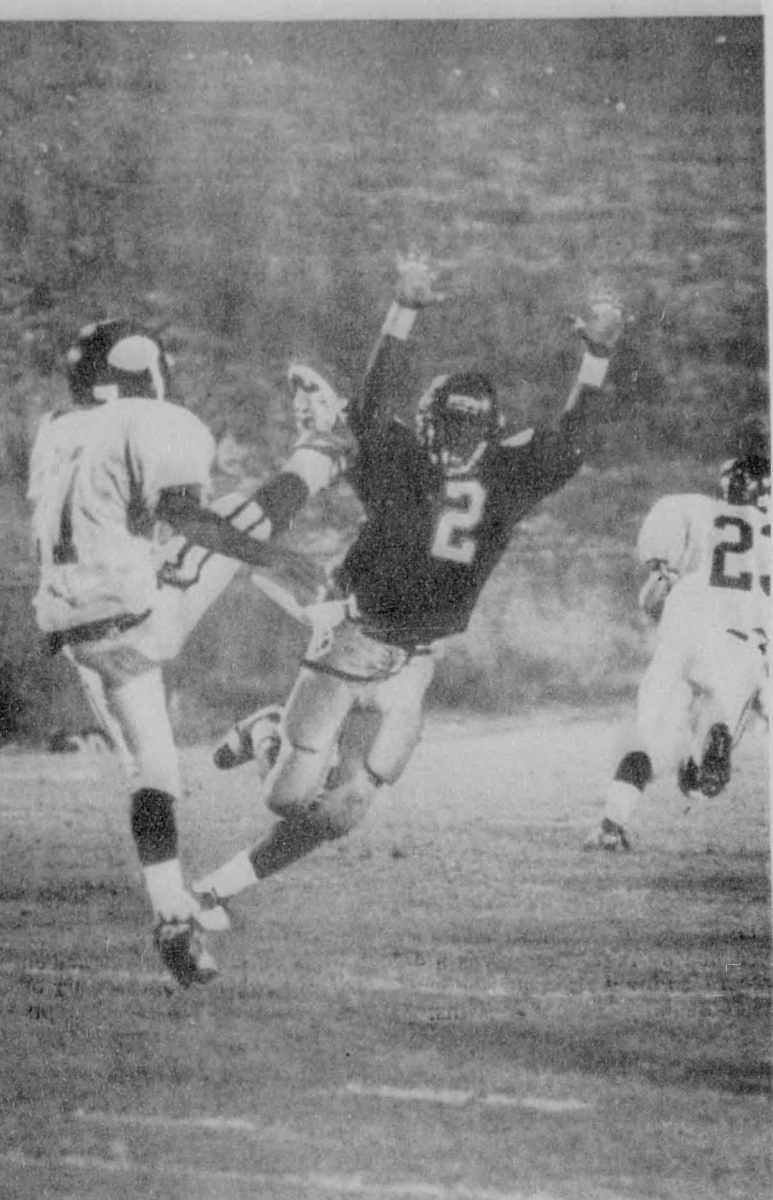
The Geneva offense was led by Shante Threat with 76 yards on 19 carries and Mark Brown with 44 yards on 8 carries.

STATISTICS

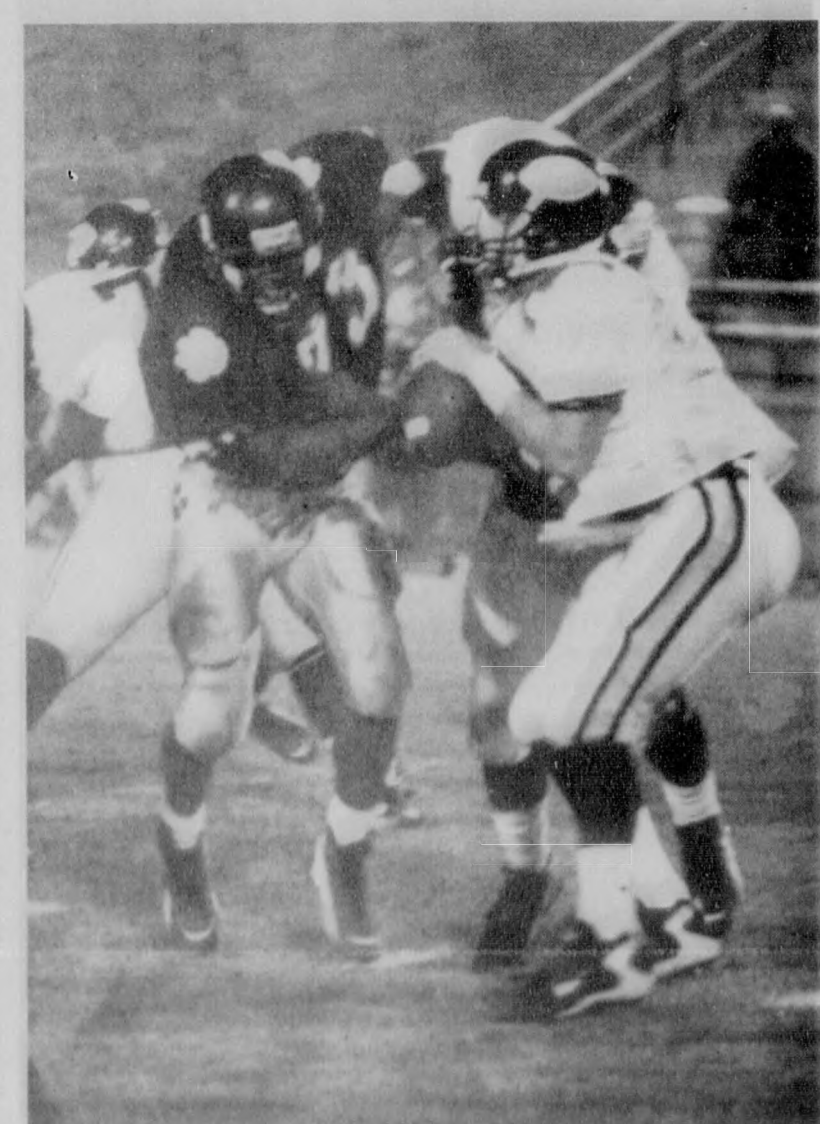
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Elba's Larry Rayborn (2) applies a heavy rush to the Geneva punter during action Friday night. Elba will be looking for its third straight win this week against Geneva County.



Elba's Earl Perkins (73) applies pressure to the Geneva quarterback during action in Friday night's 39-6 win over the Panthers.

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SINGING THE FIGHT SONG....Members of the Elba Marching Tiger band sing the Elba High fight song as the celebration begins in the Tigers 39-6 win over Geneva.

FOLLOW THE TIGERS FRIDAY NIGHT WHEN THEY TRAVEL TO HARTFORD TO MEET GENEVA COUNTY

Friday night in Hartford

Tigers brace for battle with Bulldogs

The Elba Tigers will hit the road for the first time in five weeks Friday night when they travel to Hartford to battle the highly-powered Geneva County Bulldogs.

The Tigers of Coach David Lowery will bring a 2-4 record and a two-game winning streak into the clash, while Geneva County, coached by Larry Lee, owns a 4-2 record, and will also enter the game after claiming two straight wins.

Geneva County posted an impressive 9-2 mark a year ago in the Class 2A ranks and was expected to challenge for a state title this season, but stumbled early in the season and stood at 2-2 after four weeks of action. The Bulldogs opened the season with wins over 4A Geneva 23-6 and 1A Kinston 48-14, then lost two straight to 2A Samson 14-0 and 4A Dale County

27-25, before rebounding to defeat 3A Rehoboth 20-14 and 3A Holmes County 27-10.

The Bulldogs are sparked on offense by quarterback Harris Kennedy, rated as one of the top players in the area. Kennedy has passed for 640 yards and 7 touchdowns in Geneva County's six games, and is always on target, as was evident last season when he threw only one interception in 101 pass attempts.

Lance Ryals is Kennedy's favorite target with over 400 yards receiving and four touchdowns, while Omar Sanders is also a deep threat for the big-play Bulldog offense.

Geneva County is not simply a passing team; however, and boasts one of the area's top backs in Marcus Williams, who has rushed for 609 yards and 7 touchdowns in the Bulldogs' six games this season.

On defense, the Bulldogs are quick and aggressive, and have allowed an average of only 14 points per game in their first four games.

After being outscored 69-18 in their opening four losses, and being given up for dead, the Tigers have rebounded in the last two weeks with lopsided wins over Headland 44-0 and Geneva 39-6, and now appear ready to make a serious run in the 3A playoffs.

The inexperience of Elba was evident in opening losses to 5A Charles Henderson, undefeated Luverne, undefeated Georgiana, and 5A Opp; however, the Tigers grew up in the losses and in recent weeks have looked like the Tigers of old in rolling to two big wins.

The Elba offense is led by the 1-2 punch of tailback Bobby Burks and fullback D'Undray Peterson. Burks has gained 386 yards on 78 carries in the Tigers' six games, while Peterson has added 313 yards on just 48 carries.

Senior quarterback Troy Bryan managed a total of only 13 yards rushing and 92 yards passing in the Bulldogs' six games this season.

Elba's opening four losses, but has begun to regain his form of a year ago in the past two weeks, rushing for 77 yards and passing for 179 yards in the two Tiger wins.

Another offensive weapon that has emerged in recent weeks is wide-receiver Marcus Tillis, who has given the Tigers a deep threat with touchdown receptions of 33 and 75 yards.

The defense has been strong throughout the season, and led by linebackers Todd McKee and Ronnie Davis and linemen Earl Perkins and D'Undray Peterson have been the mainstay of the Tiger attack.

The defense has allowed an average of only 43 yards per game through the air, while holding its opposition to only 138 yards per game on the ground.

The Elba defense will be severely tested this week by the high-powered Geneva County offense, and the outcome of the battle may well rest with the Tiger defense, which certainly gives the Tigers hope for a third straight win.

Registration for boys and girls basketball leagues will be held in November.

The single-elimination tournament will begin on Friday night.

Elba Parks & Recreation RECREATION REPORT

***The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation is now seeking coaches for its "Youth Basketball League." The league will include teams for boys ages 6-8, 9-10 and 11-12, and for girls ages 10 and Under, and 12 and Under. For more information, contact Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz at 897-6833.

***The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will begin registration for its "Youth Basketball League" on Nov. 4-15. Registration forms will be passed out to all boys and girls at the Elba Elementary School, and to all seventh grade students at Elba High School. Forms will also be available at City Hall, in Elba, and at Lakeside, in Elba. Registration fees are \$10 per participant, \$15 for two participants in the same family and \$20 for more than two participants in the same family. First-time participants should provide a copy of their birth certificate.

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FOOTBALL PREVIEW

NEW BROCKTON (2-4) AT WICKSBURG (1-5)

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be looking to get their offense back on track this week when they travel to Houston County to battle the Wicksburg Panthers. The Gamecocks have been held to a total of only 33 points in their last three games, while the defense has allowed 105 points. Not exactly a winning combination. Now New Brockton is out of the playoff picture, it will be interesting to see if changes are made and members of the unbeaten junior high team move into key roles. Wicksburg was expected to have a rebuilding season in '96, and that has been the case as the Panthers have posted only one win in six outings. The Panthers' win came over Arton 14-0 in week #5, while losses have come to Houston County 40-6, Samson 24-0, Houston Academy 20-14, Headland 12-6 and Rehoboth 26-14. The winner of this game will probably be the team that wants it the most!

ISABELLA (2-4) AT ZION CHAPEL (1-4)

Two teams looking forward to playing each other will tangle Friday night at Green Memorial Stadium when the Zion Chapel Rebels host the Isabella Mustangs. The Rebels had the week off to rest and regroup after a 1-4 start, and Rebel fans are hoping to see a re-vitalized team when it takes to the field this week. The 2C offense has scored only 30 points the entire season and must find a way to put more points on the scoreboard if the Rebels are to win. Isabella has already won more games than it did all of last season and will be confident that win #3 will come against the struggling Rebels. The Mustangs wins have come over Spring Garden 20-19 and Thorsby, while the losses have come to Marbury 32-8, Bibb Graves 42-13, Alabama School for the Deaf 20-14 and Calera 40-23. This game will pit two evenly matched teams and should be a battle until the final buzzer!

KINSTON (2-4) AT ARITON (2-4)

The Kinston Bulldogs will finally get to take the field against a 1A opponent Friday night when they travel to Arton to battle the Arton Purple Cats. The Bulldogs struggled to a 2-4 slate against six straight 2A foes, but scored an average of over 26 points per game and proved it could move the football against such powers as Geneva County, Samson and Straughn. Arton is in its second straight rebuilding season and will enter the Friday night clash with wins over Louisville 33-6 and Red Level 14-9, and losses to Goshen 38-6, McKenzie 36-0, Wicksburg 14-0 and Samson 37-8. Kinston should be relaxed and confident for its Area opener and is a big favorite to take a step toward the 1A playoffs!

BRANTLEY (2-4) AT MAPLESVILLE (6-0)

MISS TIGER FOOTBALL CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED



SR. MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Kayron Whitworth, winner, and Marsha Mauldin, 1st runner-up.



MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Alsha Culliver, 2nd runner-up; Vaughn Boyd, winner; and Leslie Stinson, 1st runner-up.



JR. MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Casey Skinner, 2nd runner-up; Ashley Harellson, winner; and Shay Johnson, 1st runner-up.



LITTLE MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Kristy Moore, 1st runner-up; Kristin Barnes, winner; and Katie Dyess, 2nd runner-up.



MINI MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Lyndsay Lawford, 1st runner-up; Kendall Stinson, winner; and Anna Petty, 2nd runner-up.



TINY MISS TIGER FOOTBALL WINNERS... Pictured above (l to r) are Tiffany Bryan, 2nd runner-up; Corrin Lee, winner; and Marissa Carpenter, 1st runner-up.



While only 15 women competed in the 1996 Summer Games in Paris, 3,800 women were among the 10,800 athletes who competed in Atlanta in 1996.

Wayne Haywood

would like to take this opportunity to thank her many friends and customers for their devotion and loyalty over the past years. She has enjoyed the beauty business and serving the many customers she has had over the years. However, due to health reasons, she will be unable to continue to perform her duties as a cosmetologist and regrets that she is losing her shop, **The Beauty Inn**, at 300 West Buford Street, Elba, Alabama effective immediately. Thanks for the memories and patronage.



Sharon Covington named Coffee County new Junior Miss

Sharon Covington was named 1997 Coffee County's Junior Miss last Saturday night during the Coffee County Junior Miss Program, a scholarship program which seeks to encourage excellence by recognizing and rewarding outstanding young women.

As a result, Sharon received a \$1500.00 cash scholarship to the college of her choice. She also received an award in the category of Presence and Composure and in the Interview Category. She will also represent Coffee County in the Alabama Junior Miss Program which will be held in Montgomery in January. If she is

selected to represent the state, she will participate in the national finals which are held in Mobile, Alabama. Miss Covington is a student at Enterprise High School. She plans to attend Auburn University and pursue an education in chemical engineering. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leggett and Mr. Harvey Covington from Enterprise.

Rachel Rowe was chosen first alternate and received a \$750.00 cash scholarship to the college of her choice. Rachel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rowe of Enterprise.

Angie Cameron received an award in the Physical Fitness category. June Ann Wise received an award in the Creative and Performing Arts category and Melissa Benbow received an award in the Scholarship Achievement category and was chosen from the participants to receive the Spirit of Junior Miss Award.

All the participants and their special Little Sisters were Melissa Benbow and Little Sister Elizabeth Strong; Angie Cameron and Little Sister Angela Woods; Sharon Covington and Little Sister Rayne Duff; Rachel Rowe and Little Sister Emily Carmichael; Christi Walls and

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1997 COFFEE COUNTY JUNIOR MISS. Pictured above (l to r) are Christi Walls, Rachel Rowe, first alternate; Sharon Covington, Coffee County Junior Miss; Angie Cameron; Melissa Benbow; and June Ann Wise.

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Happy Birthday
Clara Caldwell, October 14.

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October 14, 1974: Leroy Walker (died black Olympic coach).
October 15, 1972: Jackie Robinson honored at Cincinnati Stadium.
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America's Black Heritage Calendar

133rd Church Anniversary
The members and pastor of Friendship Baptist Church of Glenwood, AL, will celebrate the church's 133rd anniversary, Sunday, October 27, 1996 at 2:30 p.m. Rev. J. A. Bryant is pastor.

Sis. Shirley Outler will be the mistress of ceremony, with the welcome being by Sis. Katie Hamilton. The history of the church will be by Sis. Wynonia Cannon. Rev. Bryant will introduce the speaker, Rev. Freddie Flowers, pastor of Shady Grove AME Church of Elba, AL.

Churches invited are: Shady Grove AME, New Hope Valley, Mulberry, Old Mt. Zion, Antioch, Rose Hill, Clay Hill, Goshen First Baptist, Zion Chapel, Good Hope, Holly Spring, Pilgrim Rest, Pleasant Ridge, Bethel AME, Goshen, St. John, Luvonne, St. Matthews, Brantley, and St. Mark.

Today is a good day. Be grateful.
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Harris Temple to have special services

The Harris Temple Youth Department invites the youth of the city and the "young at heart" to a spirit-filled youth rally, Saturday, October 19 at 2:00 p.m. on the grounds across from Virgil Coleman's Mortuary. Special guests will be youth choirs, Rapper, Christian Poets, Trainers, and dancers from Montgomery, AL. All youth groups from the city are invited to come and participate. Refreshments will be provided and everything is free.

District 1 to have community meeting

Each person in District 1 of Elba, Alabama is encouraged to attend the district meeting. During this meeting, various committees will be organized. Bring suggestions and ideas to the meeting. Following the meeting, a group from the community will go to the Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home to present a plaque for outstanding services.

The Telestials to be in concert at Country Cathedral

The Telestials will be in concert at the Country Cathedral located west of Elba on U.S. Hwy. 84, Sunday night, October 20, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. There will be no admission charged.

Coffee County Stockyard Report
Reported by Alabama & U.S. Dept. of Agriculture
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OCTOBER 10, 1996

Cattle & Calves	Hogs
Salable Receipts (Est.) 630	120
Week Ago (Actual) 649	123
Year Ago (Actual) 267	564

BREAKDOWN

HOGS: Compared to week ago, Barrows & Gilts: Stubs, US 1-3, 230-250 lbs., 50.00; Sows, 300-350 lbs., 45.00; US 1-3, 300-400 lbs., 52.00-56.00; 400-500 lbs., 42.00-47.00; 500-600 lbs., 47.00-49.00; Freeder Pigs: 10-60 lbs., US 1-3, 25-50 lbs., 30.00-40.00; 50-80 lbs., 40.00-50.00; Breeds: Steady to 25 lbs., Over 500 lbs., 25.00; CATTLE & CALVES: Compared to week ago, Steers: US 1-3, 250-300 lbs., 35.75; Cur 1-3, 22.00-25.00; Cur 4-6, 15.00-20.00; Bulls: N/A; Replacement or Feeder: N/A; Steers: N/A; Butchers: N/A; Rump: 1-2, 28.50-31.00; Bon. 1-3, 26.50-31.50; 100, 31.75; 33.75; Cur 1-3, 22.00-25.00; Cur 4-6, 15.00-20.00; Bulls: N/A; FEEDER CLASSES: Steers & Bulls: Med & Lge 1, 300-350 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 350-400 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 400-450 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 450-500 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 500-550 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 550-600 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 600-650 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 650-700 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 700-750 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 750-800 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 800-850 lbs., 45.00-50.00; 850-900 lbs., 40.00-45.00; 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MRS. CLARK'S SECOND GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES class at Elba Elementary School has completed a unit of study entitled "Life Under the Sea". The unit included the major oceans of the world, their locations, their terrain, and the plants and animals that live there. As a culminating activity for the unit, the children created a beautiful wall mural depicting life in the sea.



JINRIGHT HONORED FOR SERVICE...Sergeant 1st Class, Larine Stirling Jinright of the 100th Engineers Detachment, AL National Guard, was honored on September 15, 1996 for outstanding service in his work with "Project Cornerstone 96". Lt. Col. Roy C. Smith of the Alabama National Guard presented SFC Jinright with a medal of honor recognizing his work at Casa Speranta (an orphanage for HIV positive children) in Constanta, Romania from May 20, 1996 to July 28, 1996. Part of SFC Jinright's duties included building projects such as repairs to buildings and constructing new playground equipment.

A letter received from the director of the orphanage, Marolen Mullinax, stated their sincere appreciation to the AL National Guard for the hard work and kindness to the children and staff. An excerpt from Ms. Mullinax's letter reads:

It is not possible to mention the names of all the wonderful men and women that made this miracle possible. There is one man, though, that I would like to specifically point out. SFC Larine Jinright, the "Boss" of the Casa Speranta project. SFC Jinright, with his quiet, strong leadership has been an inspiration to every person, American and Romanian, that he led. I am not sure how or why he was chosen to work on the Casa Speranta project, but I do know that I am truly grateful to have had the opportunity to work with such a true "Southern Gentleman".

The meritorious ceremony was held at the New Brockton National Guard Armory where SFC Jinright has served for the past 33 years.

THE CLASS OF 1966 WILL BE THE HONORED CLASS AT ELBA HIGH SCHOOL'S HOMECOMING ON FRIDAY, NOV. 1, 1996. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THAT CLASS HAVE NOT BEEN LOCATED AT THIS TIME. ANYONE KNOWING ANY MEMBER OF THIS CLASS SHOULD CONTACT THEM AND INFORM THEM OF THIS EVENT.

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DEBORAH SIMS

REVENUE COMMISSIONER OF COFFEE COUNTY

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- Lifelong resident of Coffee County
- B.S. degree in Business Administration
- Years of managerial experience
- Office Manager for Home Care Service of Enterprise
- Married to Riley Sims for 9 years

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Political Adv. by the Committee to elect Deborah Sims, Tyler St. New Brockton, AL 36551

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

Elba mayor and city council members work to complete unfinished business

Holley, a full time National Guard recruiter, said he would maintain a recruiting office in the armory. Copies of a proposed new zoning ordinance and proposed new personnel handbook were passed out to council members with a request they study them and come back with any desired revisions before the two were officially adopted.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth reported the police are looking at changing their uniforms and the official police patch. He explained the uniforms would be changed as the old ones wear out and the patch would be one relating, or symbolic, to Elba, rather than the generic patch presently in use.

He added that an audit of the department equipment was in process, but was not complete.

Whitworth also reported that the emergency pagers purchased last year for people with medical problems or who lived alone simply don't work. There is an \$8,000 to \$10,000 cost in these and they have contacted the company about fixing them or getting refunds. He said that if nothing happens from this request, the problem will be turned over to the city attorney.

Council member Gray asked for a status report on work promised on Winston Street. He said he understood the council had approved

Child At Play signs are being donated to the city, according to Councilman Banning. He requested the city furnish the metal post to erect 25 of these signs (five in each council district). The council agreed, but noted that there may be a need for more such signs.

Gray said the signs were good but in some areas would only be for show if the police didn't patrol and enforce speed limits every where. Monthly bills totaling \$14,450.00 were approved for payment. This included \$4,137.59 for vehicle repair, \$1,231.00 for asphalt and \$3,655.55 for election expenses.

Awards received by area folks at the Soil and Water Conservation District Meeting



OUTSTANDING SUPERVISOR FOR 1996...Robert English, Danacus Community, was recently honored by the Area V Association of Conservation Districts as the Outstanding Supervisor for 1996. He has served as a supervisor of the Coffee County Soil and Water Conservation District since 1973. He is pictured above (left) receiving his Outstanding Supervisor Award for 1996 by Area V Vice-President Willie Godwin.



CONSERVATION POSTER WINNER...Mr. Matthew Williams, a second grader at Zion Chapel Elementary School, was selected this summer as the Conservation Poster Contest winner for grades K-1 by the Area V Association of Conservation Districts. Matthew's conservation poster was selected as the county winner. The local district submitted his poster to the Area V Awards Committee where it was selected as the Area winner. Matthew Williams is shown receiving his first place trophy from Area V Vice-President Willie Godwin and Henry County District Administrative Coordinator Carolyn Riley.



OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION TILLAGE FARMER...Mr. Larry Miller was recently selected the Outstanding Conservation Tillage Farmer by the Area V Association of Conservation Districts. Mr. Miller was unable to attend the meeting. Area V Vice-President Willie Godwin is shown presenting the award to Larry's wife, Terry, their daughter, Anna, and guest, John Wayne Lambert. District Administrative Coordinator Carolyn Riley, Henry County, is shown at left.



OUTSTANDING COMMUNICATIONS AWARD...Bill Godwin, Area V Vice-President is shown presenting Ferrin Cox, publisher of The Elba Clipper, with the 1996 Outstanding Conservation Communications Award.

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DJ's Country Corner totally destroyed by suspicious fire

by Marvin McLain, Editor

Shortly after 3:00 a.m., Wednesday morning, October 16, fire completely destroyed DJ's Country Corner.

The large convenience store and Cigo filling station, located at the intersection of AL Hwy. 134 and AL Hwy. 87 south of Elba, was operated by Donald and Judy Rogers.

It had only been a few months ago since the business had been completely remodeled and modern fuel islands added to the store.

The blaze was battled by volunteer fire departments from Ino, Goodman, Batten's Crossroads, New Brockton and Elba. A water tanker was also dispatched from Samson.

Earlier in the night (Tuesday), around midnight, firemen had responded to the establishment when owner Judy Rogers reported a small

fire. She reportedly called back and stated that the fire was out. However, firemen from Ino and Goodman fire departments went on to the business to check it out. They found no live fire but there was a light smoke in the building.

According to Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates, who also responded to the call, stated firemen ventilated the building and electricians checked around the area of the water heater trying to locate the cause of the fire.

Firemen returned to their respective stations after it was determined no fire hazard existed at that time.

At approximately 3:32 a.m. (Wednesday), the dispatcher at the Coffee County Sheriff's Department received a second call that DJ's was on fire.

Initially, the Ino and Goodman fire departments were again dis-

patched to the scene. Upon their arrival, they sent out the call for assistance from other fire departments.

Rogers (Judy) stated that the business was their entire life's work. The Rogers' home which was in the same building as the business was also destroyed.

At the time of the second fire, Mrs. Rogers was not at home. Reportedly at the suggestion of a friend, she had left home after the report of the initial fire (at midnight) and was staying at an area motel.

She returned to the premises after being notified of the fire.

The fire which is being called "suspicious in nature" is being investigated by the Alabama State Fire Marshall's Office. They are being assisted by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department. At this time, no exact cause of the fire has been determined.



BURNING OUT OF CONTROL...was the fire that totally destroyed DJ's Country Corner. The picture above was taken within minutes after the alarm was sounded to several volunteer fire departments. Firemen tried, without success, to contain the fire which spread throughout the business and home of Donald and Judy Rogers.

Grimes to head W & E department

By Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Elba Mayor James Grimes was named superintendent of the Elba Water and Electric Board Tuesday night, October 8th, in the first of a meeting since the new administration took office. He will be paid the same \$600 per month other mayors who served as superintendents earned in this position.

Grimes was also appointed to represent Elba on the board of Alabama Electric Co-op.

During the same meeting, the board named Larry Eddins supervisor of the electric department. This action was taken following a short executive session of the board.

Eddins has been managing the department since the resignation of former supervisor Jeff Puckett, five months ago. The board also voted to give Eddins a one-time pay raise to cover the difference in the pay he drew during the five months and what he is would have drawn at supervisor's pay.

Tim Johnson was selected to continue as chairman of the utility board and City Clerk Donnie Morrow was named secretary/treasurer.

The board named Barr, Brunson, Wilkerson and Bowden as auditors for the utility. This is the first selected by Mayor Grimes to audit the city books.

City Attorney Jeff Kelley was formally named as attorney for the

Elba Division's term of criminal court ends with several cases settled

by Marvin McLain, Editor

The Criminal Jury Term of Court, Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division was held during the week of October 7, 1996, beginning at 9:00 a.m. with the Honorable Thomas E. Head III, presiding.

There were 49 cases involving 30 individuals on the docket; however, after a call of the docket on Friday, October 4, most of the cases were either continued or settled before going to trial.

The following is a listing of the cases and how they were disposed of (Some of the sentencing and other information was not available at press time).

The results was as follows:

State of Alabama
Vs
Spencer Owen Ziglar
Charged with manslaughter. Continued due to case being on appeal to the 11th Circuit of the U. S. Court of Appeals.

State of Alabama
Vs
Debra Ann Rogers
Charged with theft of property in the second degree. Plead guilty and was sentenced to 10 yrs. Sentence was suspended and placed under supervised probation for 5 years. Ordered to pay court cost, restitution and a fee to the Alabama Crime Victims Fund.

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HAPPENINGS

IT'S FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL. Elba Tigers travel to Rehobeth; Zion Chapel plays Ariton in Ariton; Kinston travels to New Brockton; New Brockton is at home against Kinston; and Brantley Bulldogs have an away game in Highland Home. Kick-off time for all games is 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL SET. Elba's Ninth Annual Christmas Festival has been scheduled for Saturday, November 30, 1996, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the courthouse square. Call the Chamber of Commerce office at 897-3125 for further details.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS. The Elba Chamber of Commerce's "Business After Hours" is scheduled for Thursday (TODAY), October 24, at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. All members of the Elba Chamber of Commerce are urged to attend and bring a guest. The public is also invited.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING TO VOTE. Coffee County residents have until 5:00 p.m. Friday (TOMORROW), October 25, to register for the November 5th elections. According to the Coffee County Board of Registrars, anyone who lives in Coffee County and meets the requirements can register at the Probate Office in either courthouse, the Enterprise Library, the Department of Human Resources or at the Board of Registrars in New Brockton. A person who has moved to the county and is registered in another county must register in the county of residence.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT. The Little Miss Christmas, Junior Miss Christmas, and Miss Christmas Pageant will be held on the square during the Elba Christmas Festival on Saturday, November 30, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. Dress will be casual. Entrance fee is \$10.00 with prizes for all participants. The pageant is sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce. For further information, contact Starla Amison at 897-6969 (evenings) or Barbara Hudson at 897-3125.

Elba's Guard Unit returning home

by Marvin McLain, Editor

After several years of relocation, the 3rd/117th Field Artillery Unit of the Alabama National Guard is returning to its home in Elba.

The 64-man detachment is in the process of moving equipment and supplies into the National Guard Armory located on Larkin Road. The unit will hold its first drill in early November.

A small detachment which was assigned to the facility was relocated in September and Sgt. 1st Class Demp Holley, a recruiter for the Alabama National Guard, went to work

on trying to replace the unit with

homefolk. Holley has roots in Elba.

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